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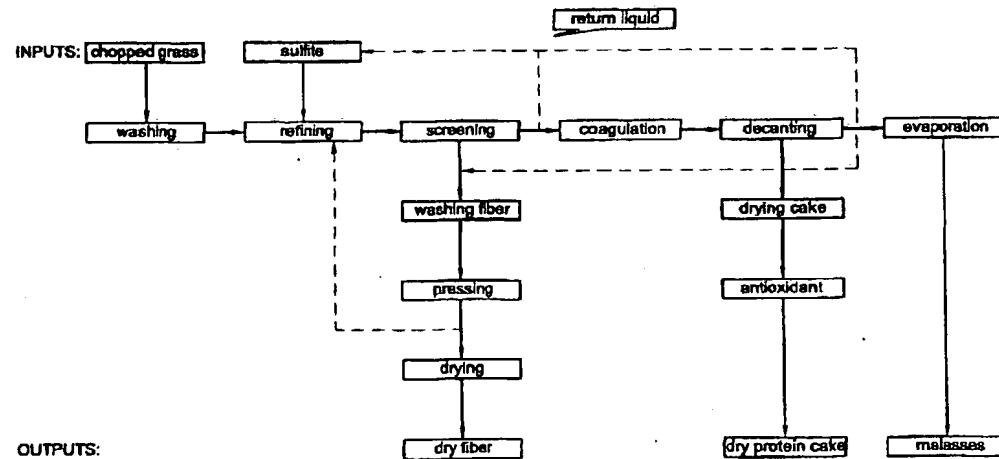
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(57) Abstract

The invention relates to the separation and recovery of components from vegetable raw materials. The invention provides a method for separating components from vegetable material which ~~comprises~~ at least leaf and/or stem parts, characterized in that the material is at ~~the~~ least partly fiberized and subsequently is separated into a fiber fraction and a juice stream, such that the fiber fraction principally ~~comprises~~ relatively firm tissues such as epidermis, sclenchyma and vascular bundles, and the juice stream principally contains soft tissues such as parenchyma and cytosol. In a preferred embodiment, the invention provides a method for separating a juice stream which ~~comprises~~ in particular chloroplasts.

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